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Application No.: 09/830,617
PCT No.: PCT/DE99/03474
Applicant(s): W. Thiele, *et al.*
Intern. Filing Date: November 2, 1999
Title: CIRCULAR METHOD FOR PICKLING COPPER ALLOYS
Docket No.: 60210-USA

**RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.181 TO WITHDRAW A HOLDING OF
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On 08 April 2004 the Patent Office mailed a "Decision on Petition under 37 CFR 1.181" in the above captioned application indicating that applicants' petition under 37 1.181 to withdraw a holding of abandonment had been denied because applicants' submittal of a translation of the above captioned application on 17 March 2004 was not signed by an individual registered to practice before the USPTO and was therefore considered an unsigned communication.

The undersigned received a telephone call from Shakeel Ahmed. This telephone call indicated that the Patent Office was unable to locate the English translation in the above captioned application and requested that a copy of the translation be sent by FAX to 703-305-3230. Our submission of a copy of this translation on 16 March 2004 was in compliance with this request.

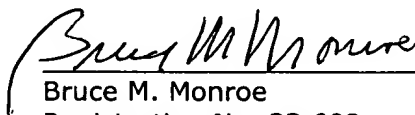
Applicants originally submitted an English translation on 13 August 2001. This submission is evidenced by a postcard stamped by the PTO mailroom indicating receipt of the translation on 13 August 2001. A copy of the postcard is enclosed. A copy of the Transmittal Letter and a copy of the Certificate of Mailing showing that the translation was mailed on 13 August 2001 are enclosed. An additional copy of the translation is enclosed.

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The undersigned believes, based these documents, that the translation was filed on the indicated date. The translation submitted herewith is a true and complete copy of the translation filed 13 August 2001.

Applicants hereby respectfully request that the holding of abandonment be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,



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Which consists of the following:

1. Transmittal Letter (2 pages)
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4. English Translation of Application (30 pages)
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